

FACULTY OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY

The Faculty of the History of Medicine and Pharmacy of the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London held its seventh annual general meeting in Apothecaries' Hall on 30 April 1966. After formally presenting the annual report to members, the Chairman, Dr. W. S. C. Copeman, conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the Faculty on Professor Adalberto Pazzini (Director of the Institute of the History of Medicine at the University of Rome, and President of the International Society for the History of Medicine), and Professor Marcel Florkin (Director of the Institute of Biochemistry at the University of Liège, and President of the International Academy of the History of Medicine). Professor Filippo Donini, Cultural Attaché of the Italian Embassy, and Mr. R. Thissen, Counsellor at the Belgian Embassy, were present at the ceremony as guests of the Faculty.

Immediately following the annual general meeting, Sir George Clark gave the Gideon Delaune Lecture, entitled 'The History of the Medical Profession: Aims and Methods'. The full text of this important lecture is published in this issue of *Medical History*, pages 213–20.

The proceedings concluded with the annual Founder Members' Dinner in Apothecaries' Hall. Among the guests on this occasion were Sir George Clark, Sir Arthur Porritt (Master of the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries), Mr. H. C. Edwards and Dr. H. M. Sinclair (Wardens of the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries), Sir John Richardson, Dr. Kenneth Robson (Treasurer, The Royal College of Physicians of London), Professor Sir John McMichael, Professor Adalberto Pazzini and Professor Marcel Florkin (Honorary Fellows), and representatives of three of the Faculty's Institutional Members.

The Faculty's Osler Lecture, which is an annual lecture especially intended for students, was given by Sir Hector MacLennan (President of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists) on 25 May 1966 in Apothecaries' Hall. The subject of the lecture was 'A Gynaecologist looks at the Tudors'. The Maccabaeon Prize and Medal for 1966 was presented at this meeting to Dr. Alasdair Bruce MacGregor, Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Clinical Surgery at the University of Edinburgh, for his essay entitled 'The Search for a Chemical Cure for Cancer'. This will be published in full in *Medical History*.

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON LEONARDO DA VINCI  
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A symposium on Leonardo da Vinci (2–8 May, 1966) was one of the most important events in the year-long celebrations to mark the opening of the new Dickson Art Center at the University of California, Los Angeles. The subject of this symposium was specially chosen as a means of expressing the university's appreciation to Dr. Elmer Belt for the gift of his Library of Vinciana. This magnificent library is now appropriately installed in the new Dickson Art Center, and will serve as an important source for scholars who continue to explore the limitless genius of Leonardo and the period in which he lived.